

FISCAL NOTE

SB 107

February 11, 1997

SUMMARY OF BILL: Directs the commissioner of the department of mental health and mental retardation to set up a system, through direct contractual agreement between the department and the community mental health center or other provider for each established community mental health center catchment area, to deliver essential mental health services to persons ineligible for TennCare based upon ability to pay. Community mental health centers will also be designated to provide disaster-related counseling and support systems.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$40,000,000

Assumes approximately 30,000 nonTennCare eligible persons in need of mental health services will be provided essential mental health services through restoration of an ability to pay delivery system. The population in need of services includes approximately 13,700 severely and persistently mentally ill adults and seriously emotionally disturbed children with treatment rates ranging from \$1,000 to \$3,000 annually.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director